Perspectives

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Cosmology Intertwined Mini-Workshop
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2105.03003 w/ L. Thiele, Y. Guan, A. Kosowsky, D. Spergel 2003.07355 w/ E. McDonough, M. Toomey, S. Alexander 2006.11235 w/ EM,MT,SA + M. Ivanov, M. Simonovic, M. Zaldarriaga





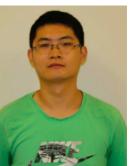












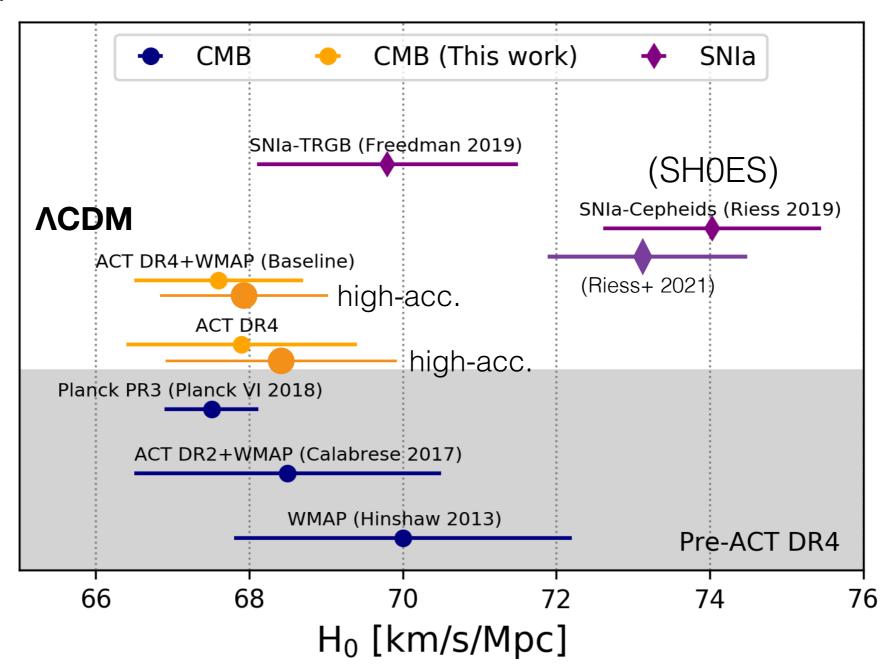


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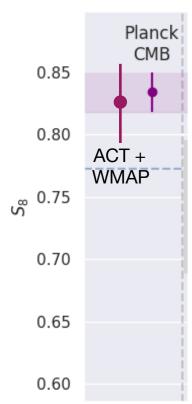
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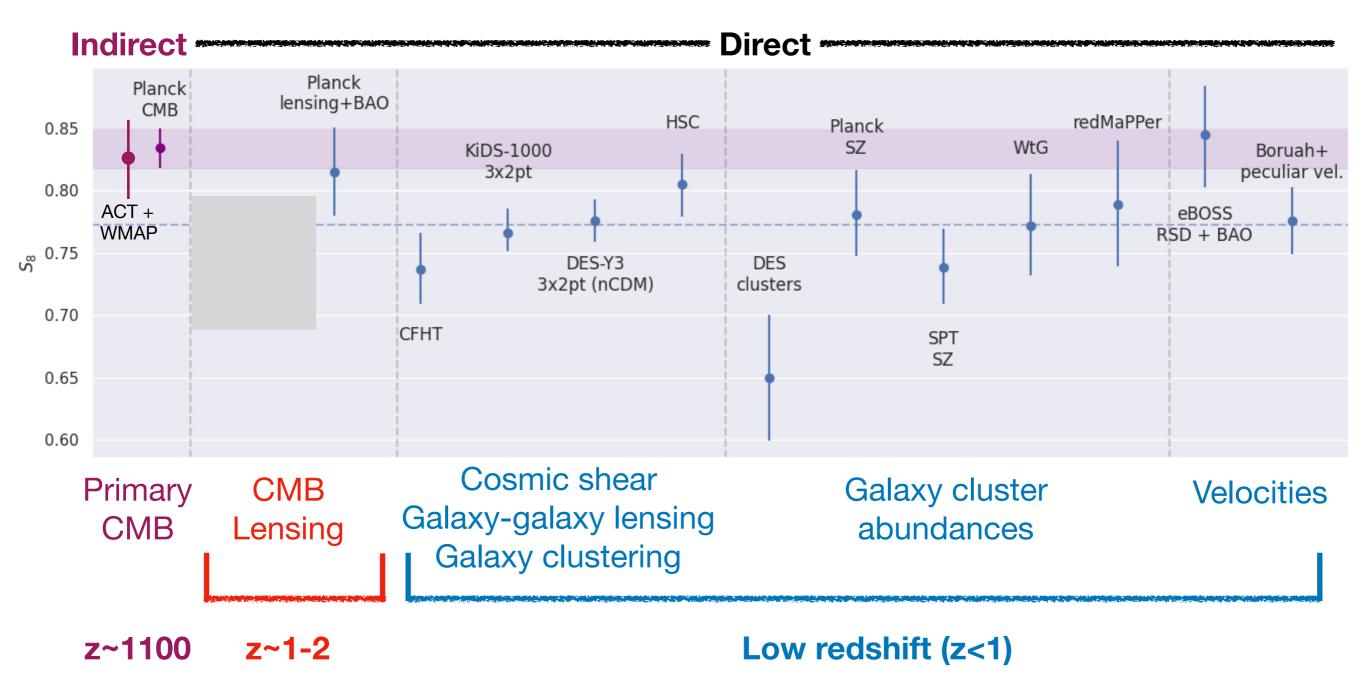


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N.B. not an exhaustive compilation!

Possible clarification very soon with ACT DR6 CMB lensing (~50-60σ)

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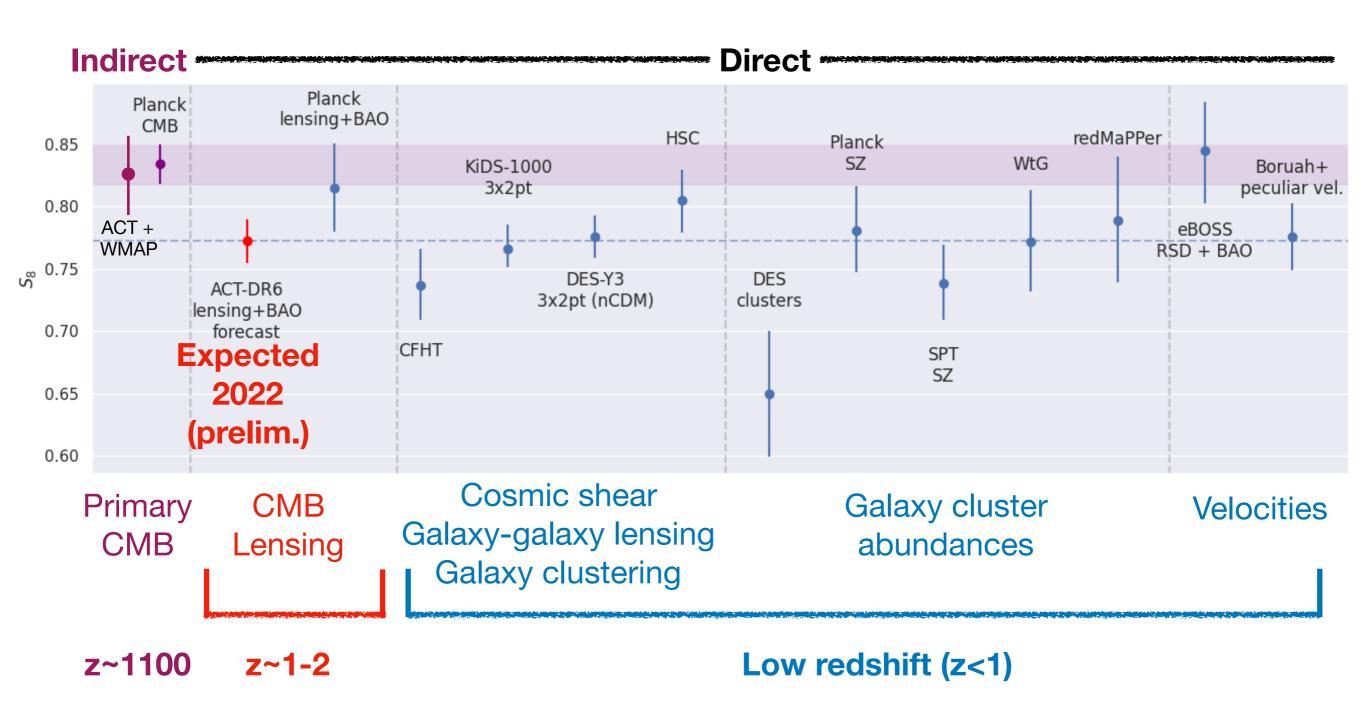


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Significance of the discrepancy between CMB and any individual low-z measurement is at most 2.7σ (Planck vs. KiDS-1000)

Difficult to naively combine the low-z measurements (overlap on the sky, shared methods/data/systematics, etc.) — dedicated study required

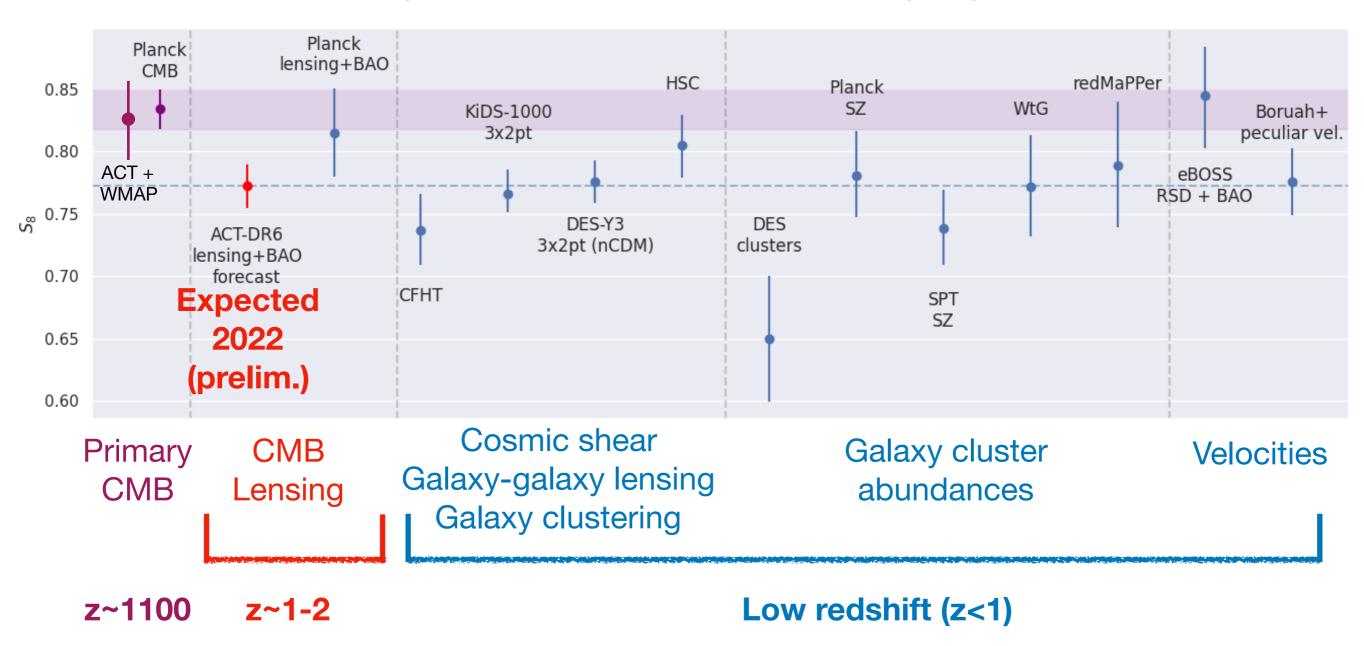


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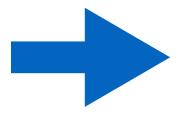
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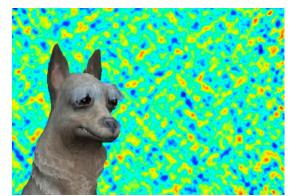
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Generic consequence: new signals in the cosmic microwave background



Theory

H₀ Olympics

Very useful systematically organized global study (N.B. no S₈ data considered, apart from CMB lensing)

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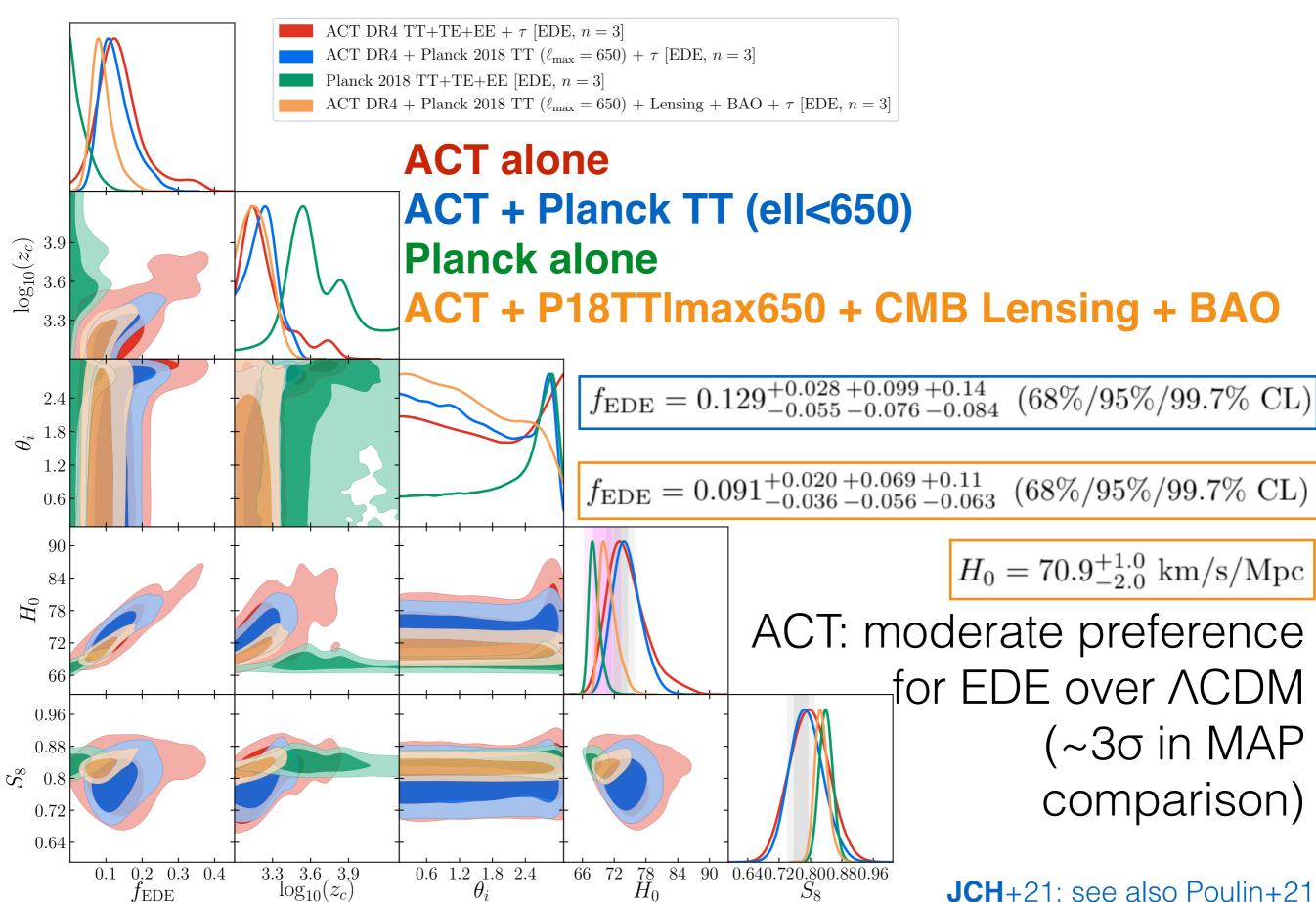
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H₀ Post-Olympics: New Data

The Atacama Cosmology Telescope: Constraints on Pre-Recombination Early Dark Energy

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 $f_{\rm EDE}$

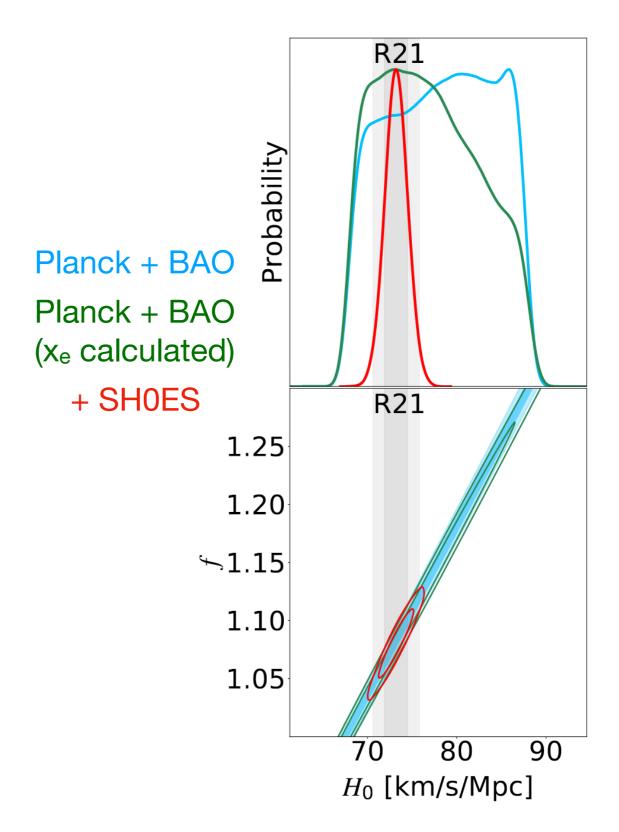
JCH+21; see also Poulin+21

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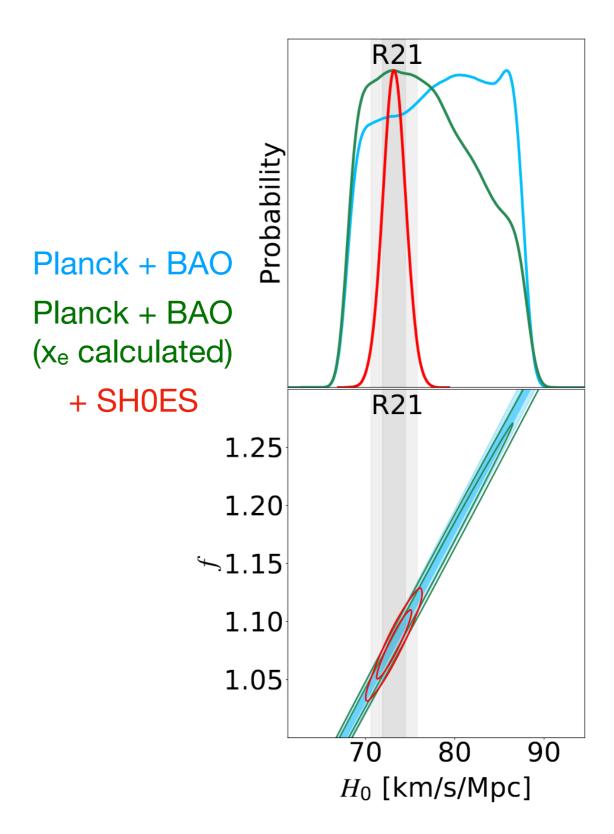
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Challenges: how to modify the photon scattering rate in a physical way?

Varying Y_P leads to 3σ tension with BBN

Realization in a particle physics model?



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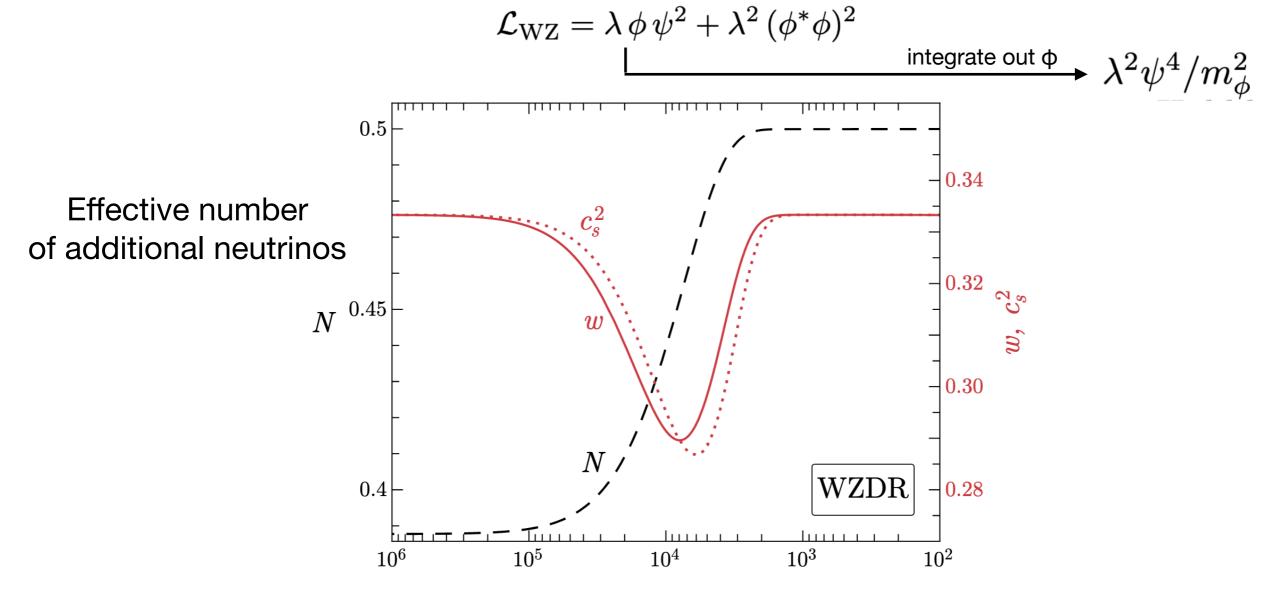
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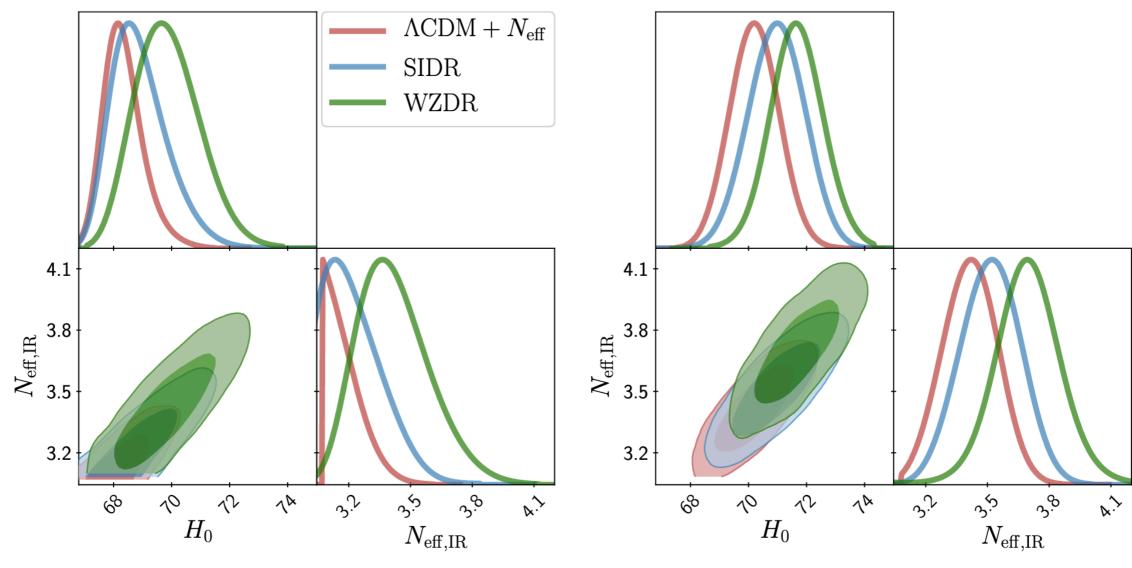


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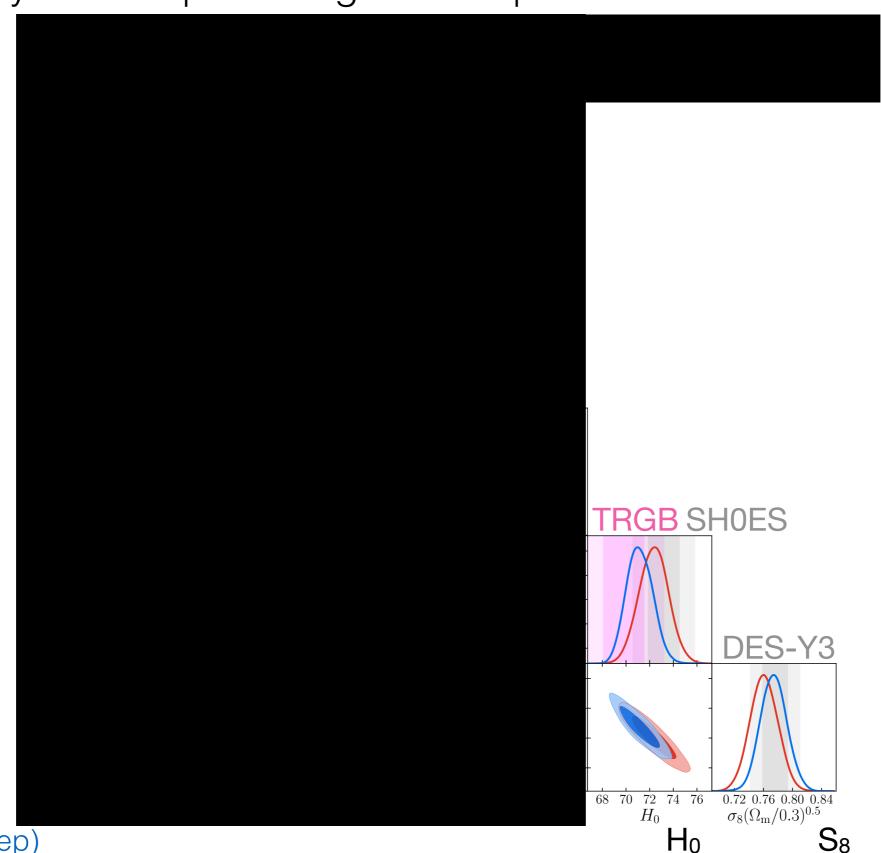


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Planck + BAO + Pantheon

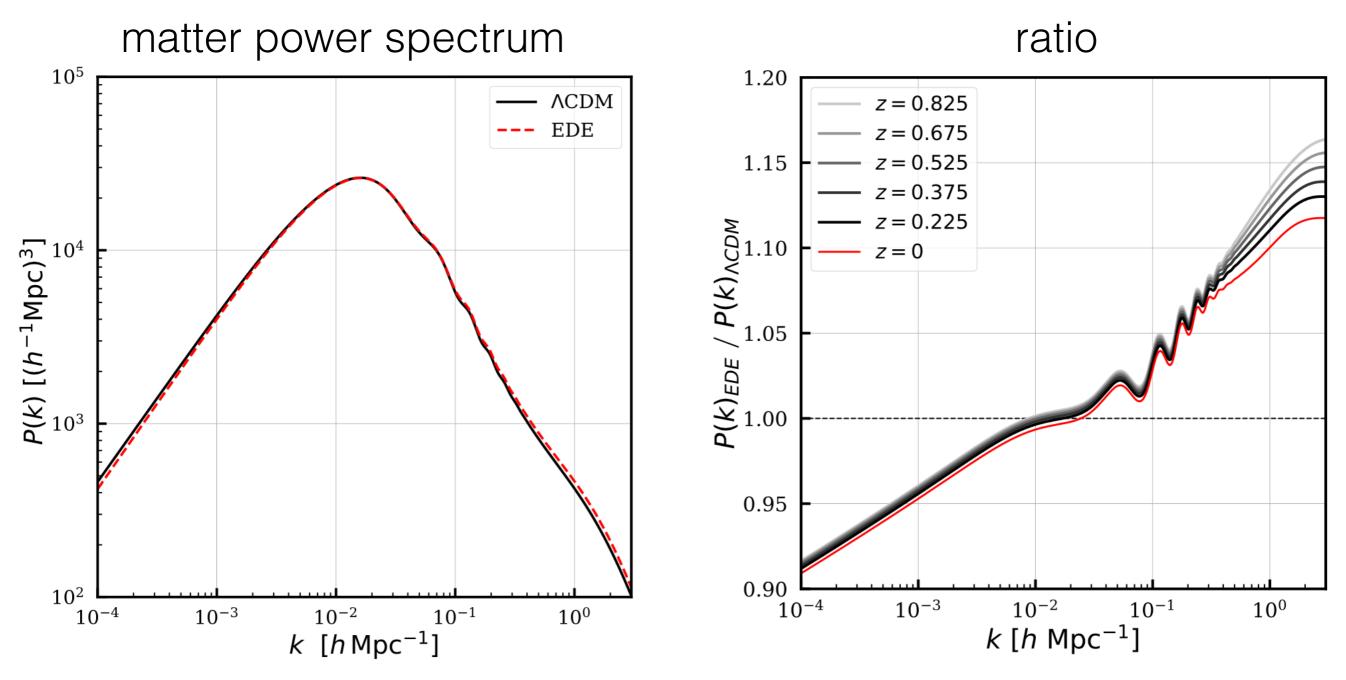
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JCH & Bolliet (in prep)

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What drives these differences? Shifts in other Λ CDM parameters that are required to preserve the CMB fit in EDE by compensating early ISW (increase in ω_{cdm} and n_s), leading to increase in S_8

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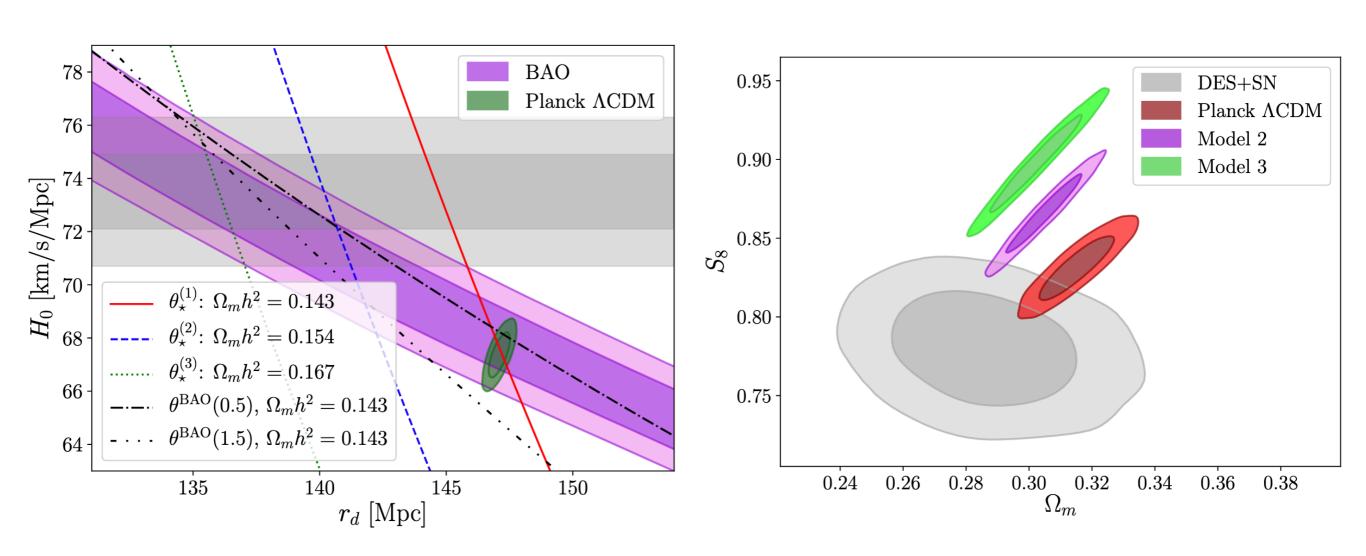
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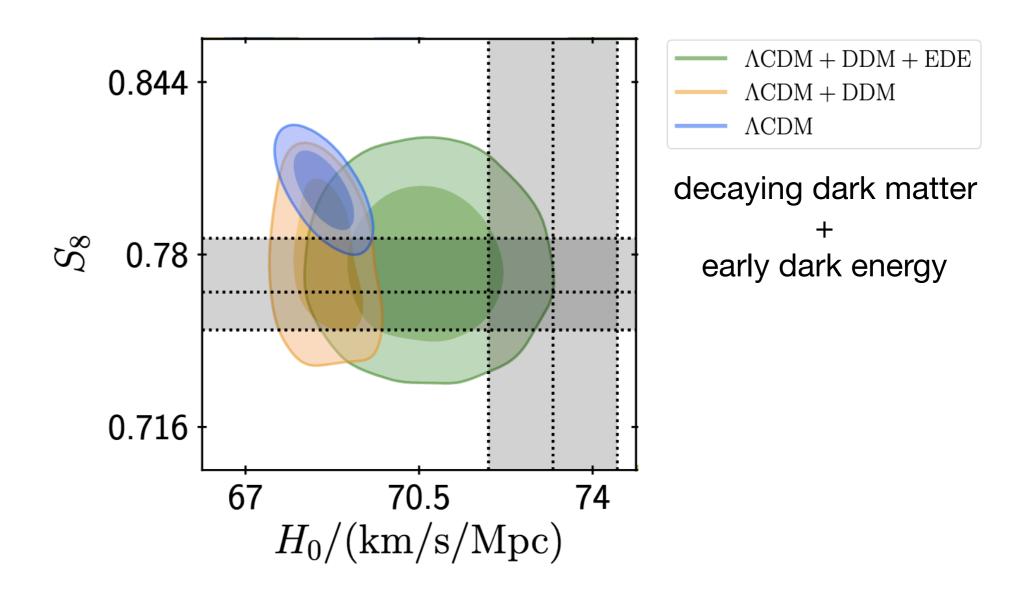


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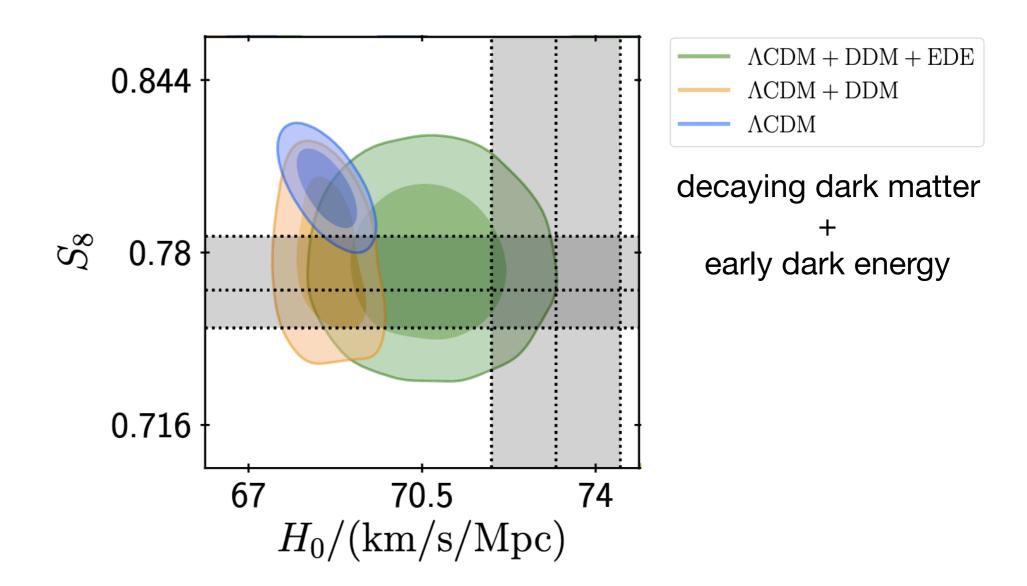
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Can we achieve such phenomenology in a single-component extension of ACDM?

Theory Takeaways Columbia/CCA

- Recent results make it clear that there is significant model space left to explore
- "Intertwined": our ultimate goal should be to achieve concordance, rather than tension-trade
- Do we need multiple new components? What would be convincing?
 - My view: finding a new model that conclusively fits CMB data better than ΛCDM (preferred at >>5σ, consistent across experiments) but yields (high H0+high S8) or (low S8+low H0)
- Open-source: share modified Boltzmann codes to enable community progress

Observational Outlook

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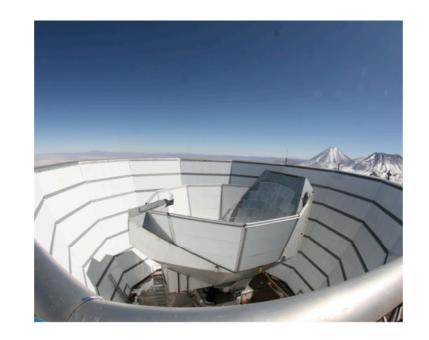
Planck



Final data 2018 100% sky

0.35 — 10 mm (9 bands) 5 — 33' resolution

Advanced ACT



Observations until 2022 40% sky

Noise ~3 times < Planck 1.4 — 10 mm (5 bands)

I — 7' resolution

[South Pole Telescope - same timeframe]

ACT DR4 (2020) only comprises data collected through 2016 — we have >4x as much data already on disk, collected through 2021, and we are still going!

Next cosmology release: ACT DR6

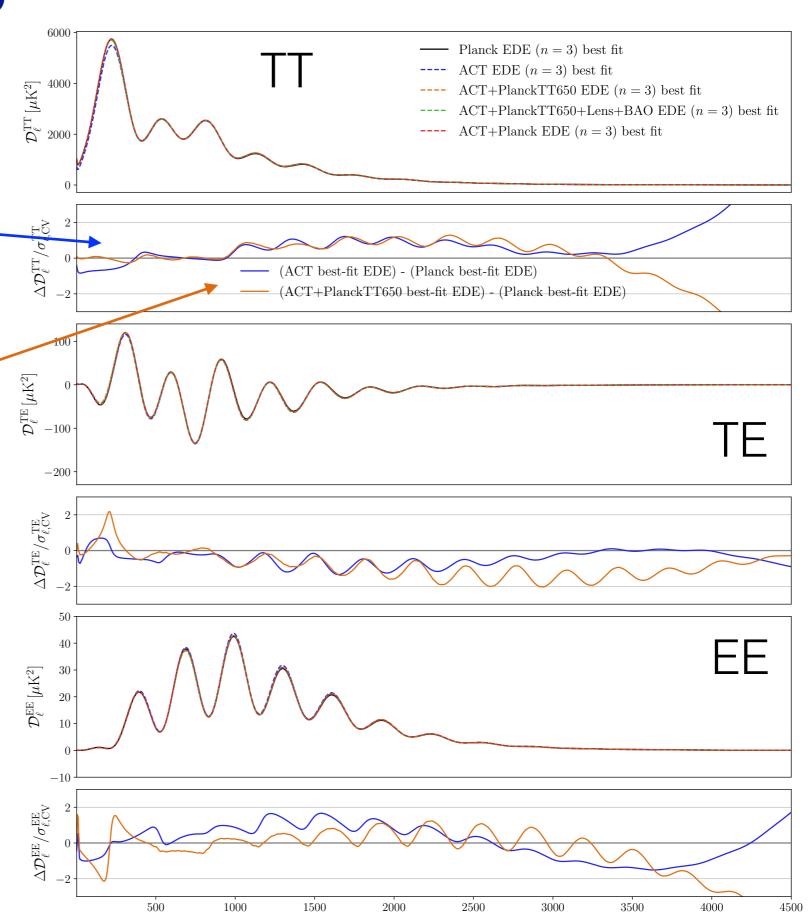
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Ex.: Discovering EDE in the CMB Columbia/CCA

ACT best-fit EDE Planck EDE

(ACT+low-ell TT) EDE -Planck EDE

Imminent potential discovery with upcoming ACT DR6 (~2022): the models shown here can be distinguished at ~20 σ (with DR4: currently ~3 σ)



ACT

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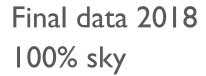
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Planck

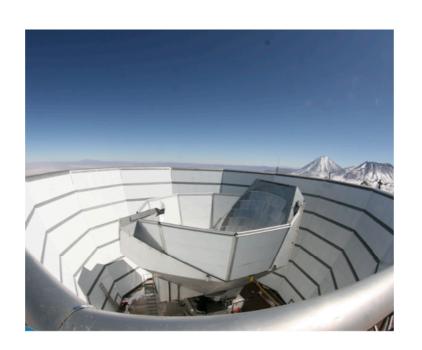


ACT





0.35 — 10 mm (9 bands) 5 — 33' resolution



Observations until 2022 40% sky

Noise ~3 times < Planck

1.4 — 10 mm (5 bands)

I — 7' resolution

[South Pole Telescope - same timeframe]

SO Large Aperture Telescope



Observations ~2023-28 40% sky

Noise ~3 times < ACT

I — 10 mm (6 bands)

I — 7' resolution

[CMB-S4 would start observing after this, with multiple telescopes]

The Future Is Bright

- 1) ACDM H₀ is secure; *if* local measurements robustly agree on a higher value via multiple probes, new physics likely
- 2) Significant model space for altering pre-recombination universe remains to be explored or even re-explored
- 3) Early-universe H₀ resolutions predict clear deviations from ACDM in the CMB imminently testable with ACT+SPT (now), SO (2024), and Astro2020-endorsed CMB-S4 (2029)